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ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEWS COMPLETED

Project reviews completed from March 15 to April 15 are listed below. These projects have been screened through the internal environmental review process for potential impacts on wetlands, threatened and endangered species, and cultural and archaeological resources, etc. Through the review process it was determined that environmental impacts have been kept to a minimum and mitigated as necessary, that they do not meet the criteria for significant actions as defined in the environmental review process, and may proceed. All of these projects are in compliance with the Endangered Species Protection Act, Natural Areas Preservation Act, Interagency Wetlands Policy Act and cultural resource statutes.

Mississippi Palisades State Park

1509254 - This project involves the installation of an underground power line, for a short distance, to connect to a transmission line. Project was submitted for review on 2-16-15.

I&M Canal

1510436 - This project involves construction of an access road to the Chicago Sanitary Ship Canal Electrical Dispersal Barriers Project. Project was submitted for review on 3-16-15.

World Shooting Complex

1510452 - This project involves replacement of a collapsed pipe under Cardinal Road. Project was submitted for review on 3-17-15.

Lincoln Trail State Park

1510981 - This project involves the following road repairs at Lincoln Trail: upper concession parking lot, parking lot access drives. 208 camp pads will also top dressed with new gravel. Project was submitted for review on 4-1-15.

Sangamon Valley Trail

1510439 - This project involves land transfer of 6 miles of former railroad corridor to Sangamon County. Project was submitted for review on 3-16-15.

Kickapoo State Park

1510681 - This project involves staging areas for equipment and materials at the east end of the Kickapoo Trail in the Vermilion County Fairgrounds. Project was submitted for review on 3-23-15.

White Pines Forest State Park

1510185 - This project involves construction of a concrete pad near the lodge facility. A permanent generator will be placed on the concrete pad. Project was submitted for review on 3-10-15.

Copperhead Hollow Wildlife Area

1510463 - This project involves demolition and removal of a two-story dwelling. Project was submitted for review on 3-17-15.

Pyramid State Park

1509432 - This project involves relocating a local public road onto IDNR property to allow for the development of the Golden Eagle Mine. The relocated road will be on a 100' wide easement on the boundary of existing IDNR owned land at the Galum Management Unit. In addition to a new roadway, the easement will also allow for a powerline and waterline to be installed. Total length of the new roadway will be approximately 6,700'. Project was submitted for review on 2-20-15.

Starved Rock State Park

1510683 - This project involves installation of a new kiosk sign behind the Visitor Center. Project was submitted for review on 3-23-15.

Wise Ridge State Natural Area

1507541 - This project involves development of a trail system within Wise Ridge. Project was submitted for review on 3-19-15.

· Chain O'Lakes State Park

1508539 - This project involves maintenance to a double-lane boat ramp. Rip rap will be placed and compacted into a scour hole to prevent damage to trailers which drop off into the scour hole. Project was submitted for review on 1-26-15.

Morrison-Rockwood State Park

1510523 - This project involves replacement of boat ramp, shoreline protection, and new courtesy docks. Project was submitted for review on 3-18-15.

I&M Canal State Trail

1509545 - This project involves placement of two pipelines under the I&M Canal. The pipelines will be west of the City of Ottawa and just east of Buffalo Rock State Park. The canal prism and bike trail will be restored to pre-project conditions. Project was submitted for review on 2-24-15.

Burning Star

1511129 - This project involves maintenance to a drainage ditch. Project was submitted for review on 4-3-15.

Kaskaskia River State Fish & Wildlife Area

1510494 - This project involves constructing a temporary aggregate road to provide access for repairs to an existing pipeline. Project was submitted for review on 3-17-15.

Pere Marquette State Park

1510623 - This project involves construction of 6 concrete pads to add an additional 6 covered picnic tables. Project was submitted for review on 3-20-15.

Sangamon Valley Trail

1511021 - This project involves a utility easement to accommodate an overhead transmission line. Project was submitted for review on 4-1-15.

Pere Marquette State Park

1503175 - This project involves modification and upgrades of the Lodge attic ventilation system, exhaust air systems, and air conditioner units. Project was submitted for review on 9-2-14.

Kaskaskia River State Fish & Wildlife Area

1511253 - This project involves construction of a new concrete boat ramp and removal of two concrete surfaced rip rap jetty's in the City of Evansville. Project was submitted for review on 4-9-15.

Questions and Comments
All questions and comments about the environmental review process or this newsletter should be directed to:

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